

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 709

By Floyd

A RESOLUTION to congratulate and honor Head Coach Kevin Templeton and the Soddy Daisy High School girls golf team upon winning the 2009 TSSAA Class AAA Girls Golf State Championship.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those successful high school athletic teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this great State; and

WHEREAS, the Soddy Daisy High School girls golf team achieved an extraordinary level of success during the 2009 season, establishing an amazing record of forty-one wins against only two losses and winning the TSSAA Class AAA Girls Golf State Championship; and

WHEREAS, claiming five tournament titles during the 2009 season, the members of the Soddy Daisy High School girls golf team won every tournament they entered, namely the Coffee County Invitational, the City Prep, the District 5 AAA, the Region 3 AAA, and the TSSAA State Championship tournaments; and

WHEREAS, Soddy Daisy enjoyed the senior leadership of golfer Lexi Stewart who scored a best round of even par 36 against McMinn County and tied for fourth place at the Coffee County Invitational and finished eighth at the Regional 3 AAA tournament; and

WHEREAS, sophomore golfer Jessica Cathey shot a best round score of even par 72 during the first round of the State Championship eventually finishing in fourth place overall; she tied for fourth place at the Coffee County and City Prep tournaments, tied for third place at both the District and Region competitions, and holed out from 100 yards on the second hole for the only eagle at the Girls State Championship tournament this year; and

WHEREAS, hitting a hole in one on #11 at the Bear Trace course during the City Prep tournament, Haley Cothran, a junior golfer, scored two sub-par rounds during the season,

coming in four under par 68 at Bear Trace and tallying a score of two under par 70 at the State Championship tournament; she was a Medalist at both the Coffee County Invitational and the Region 3 AAA tournaments, placed second at the City Prep and District tournaments, and claimed third place overall at the State Championship tournament; and

WHEREAS, the dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young women not only made possible a successful and memorable golf season, but also surely point toward their success in every future endeavor; and

WHEREAS, Head Coach Kevin Templeton laid the groundwork for this year's championship team by sharing with these young women his substantial knowledge of golf, his many years of coaching and athletic experience, and his passion both for the sport of golf and for excellence in every endeavor; and

WHEREAS, displaying great sportsmanship and outstanding character, the Soddy Daisy girls golf team conducted themselves in a manner appropriate to the integrity of the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee takes great pride in the tremendous accomplishments of those student athletes who have excelled both on the field and in the classroom; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby congratulate and honor Head Coach Kevin Templeton and the Soddy Daisy girls golf team upon winning the 2009 TSSAA Class AAA Girls Golf State Championship and wish them every success in all future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.